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HOUSE BILL DRH10282-MV-155

Short Title: County Commissioners Approval For Assignment. (Local)

Sponsors: Representatives Lambeth and Conrad (Primary Sponsors).

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO REQUIRE APPROVAL FROM THE FORSYTH COUNTY BOARD OF
3 COMMISSIONERS FOR CHANGES TO STUDENT ASSIGNMENT IN THE
4 WINSTON-SALEM/FORSYTH COUNTY SCHOOLS.

5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 **SECTION 1.** Notwithstanding G.S. 115C-366(b) or any other State or local
7 provision to the contrary, no change in the matter of assignment of children to the public schools
8 of the Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Local School Administrative Unit shall be effective unless
9 approved by the Forsyth County Board of Commissioners. Changes in the matter of assignment
10 shall not include changes to an individual student transfer or reassignment but shall include
11 changes in any the following:

- 12 (1) Board of education policy related to student assignment or school choice.
- 13 (2) Neighborhood school assignments.
- 14 (3) Elementary or middle school attendance zones.
- 15 (4) The Schools of Choice process.
- 16 (5) Magnet school choice.
- 17 (6) Any other school assignment or school choice policy or practice that is based
18 primarily on a student's place of residence within the county.

19 **SECTION 2.** Any proposed change described in this act, following approval by the
20 Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Board of Education, shall be submitted to the Forsyth County
21 Board of Commissioners for its concurrence and approval. Upon approval by the Forsyth County
22 Board of Commissioners, the proposed change shall become final and effective.

23 Any change in the matter of assignment made on or after March 28, 2019, by the
24 Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Board of Education is declared void unless submitted to the
25 Forsyth County Board of Commissioners for its concurrence and approval. Upon approval by the
26 Forsyth County Board of Commissioners, the change shall become final and effective.

27 **SECTION 3.** This act is effective when it becomes law.

