GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2025

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SENATE BILL 68

| Short Title: | SchCalFlex/Pitt,Edgecombe/Board Mtg & Report. | (Local) |
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| Sponsors: | Senator Smith (Primary Sponsor). | |
| Referred to: | Rules and Operations of the Senate | |
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February 11, 2025

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

2 AN ACT TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL FLEXIBILITY IN ADOPTING THE SCHOOL

- CALENDAR TO PITT COUNTY SCHOOLS AND EDGECOMBE COUNTY SCHOOLS
 FOR A PERIOD OF THREE YEARS.
- 5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

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6 **SECTION 1.** Notwithstanding G.S. 115C-84.2(d), a local board of education may 7 determine the dates of opening and closing the public schools in its local school administrative unit, provided that the dates are in accordance with the requirements of G.S. 115C-84.2(a)(1). 8 9 Prior to determining the opening and closing dates, the board shall hold a public hearing on 10 whether to depart from the requirements of G.S. 115C-84.2(d). If, based on parent and community input received at the hearing, the board decides to depart from the requirements of 11 12 G.S. 115C-84.2(d), the board shall select the opening and closing dates for its schools only after an additional public hearing to allow for parent and community input on the date determination. 13 **SECTION 2.** This act applies only to Pitt County Schools and Edgecombe County 14

15 Schools.

16 **SECTION 3.** By October 15, 2025, the Pitt County Board of Education and 17 Edgecombe County Board of Education shall report to the Department of Public Instruction on 18 the implementation of this act, including any effects on student achievement and any 19 recommendations on the modification, continuation, and potential expansion of the calendar 20 flexibility provided in this act. The Department shall forward the reports to the Joint Legislative 21 Education Oversight Committee no later than November 1, 2025.

22 **SECTION 4.** This act is effective when it becomes law and applies for the 23 2025-2026, 2026-2027, and 2027-2028 school years only.

