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No fiscal impact
for over half of CMS's requests

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State Items

- ★ 1. Calendar flexibility
- 2. Competitive teacher pay
- ★ 3. Local control over local dollars
- 4. Funding growth
- 5. Driver's Education funding
- ★ 6. Charter-like flexibilities
- ★ 7. No inter- or intra-county transfers
- 8. NC pre-K funding
- ★ 9. School performance grading formula

Local Items

- 1. School resource officer funding
- ★ 2. Intergovernmental planning and collaboration when funding operating and capital projects
- ★ 3. Intergovernmental planning and collaboration when analyzing developmental impacts

★ No fiscal impact

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1. Provide school boards with authority over their local calendars for the benefit of their students and staff.

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2. Raise North Carolina's average teacher pay to the national average.

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3. Ensure that local boards of education are vested with local control over local dollars for optimal fiscal accountability.

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4. Restore a state-funded growth formula for LEAs that reflects actual student population increases and declines, including changes in ESL and special education students.

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5. Provide funding to LEAs to conduct Driver's Education programs so that LEAs are not faced with unfunded mandates.

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6. Provide traditional public schools with charter-like flexibilities.

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7. Oppose mandated inter-county and intra-county student transfer legislation.

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8. Fully Fund North Carolina's Pre-K program so that all eligible students may participate.

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9. Re-examine the school performance grades to give parents the most accurate picture of how their children's public schools are performing.

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Local Items

- 1. Restore City of Charlotte funding for school resource officers in CMS.**

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2. Establish a collaborative inter-governmental committee that meets regularly to identify, prioritize, plan, and fund operating and capital budgets.

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3. Establish a collaborative intergovernmental committee of city and county area experts to examine development patterns relating to municipal and county planning priorities and regulations and analyze developmental impacts on CMS.