



# HOUSE BILL 1199: Graduating Sr. Numeric Grade.

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**OVERVIEW:** *The 2nd edition of HB 1199 would give Union County Public Schools the authority to allow each graduating high school senior the choice of whether their spring 2020 course grades would appear on official transcripts as numeric grades or Pass/Withdrawal.*

**CURRENT LAW:** G.S. 116-11(10a) requires DPI to generate and local school administrative units to use standardized transcripts in an automated format for applicants to higher education institutions. The standardized transcript must include grade point average, class rank, end-of-course test scores, and uniform course information.

Under State Board of Education Policy GRAD-009, all graduating seniors in North Carolina will receive either a Pass or Withdrawal as their grades for their spring 2020 courses. The codes "PC19" (Pass) or "WC19" (Withdrawal) will appear on official transcripts rather than numerical grades.

**BILL ANALYSIS:** The bill would give Union County Public Schools the authority to allow each graduating senior to choose from one of the following two options regarding how grades for courses from spring 2020 would appear on official transcripts:

- (1) The highest grade of either (i) the numeric grade as of March 13, 2020; or (ii) if numeric grades were given during remote instruction, the grade as improved during the remainder of the semester through remote instruction.
- (2) Pass or Withdrawal, as appropriate.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** The bill would be effective when it becomes law.

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