

HOUSE BILL 79:

Academic Alignment/Boards of Education & CC.

2019-2020 General Assembly

Committee: House Education - K-12. If favorable, re-refer **Date**: March 12, 2019

to Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the

House

Introduced by: Reps. Horn, Johnson, Elmore, Strickland **Prepared by:** Kara McCraw

Analysis of: First Edition Committee Counsel

OVERVIEW: HB 79 would allow local boards of education to align school calendars with the start of the local community college.

CURRENT LAW: G.S. 115C-84.2 provides that, with certain exceptions, the opening date for students in a school calendar must be no earlier than the Monday closest to August 26, and the closing date for students must be no later than the Friday closest to June 11.

BILL ANALYSIS: HB 79 would authorize a local board of education to instead schedule its school opening date for any school in the local school administrative unit to coincide with the opening date of a community college serving the city or county in which the unit is located, in whole or in part.

EFFECTIVE DATE: HB 79 would become effective when it becomes law and would apply beginning with the 2019-2020 school year.

