



2023-2024 General Assembly

# HOUSE BILL 219: Charter School Omnibus, Sec. 7: Allow the Central Park School for Children in Durham County to Conduct a Weighted Admissions Lottery Pilot Program

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<b>Committee:</b>		<b>Date:</b>	December 7, 2023
<b>Introduced by:</b>		<b>Prepared by:</b>	Brian Gwyn
<b>Analysis of:</b>	Sec. 7 of S.L. 2023-107		Staff Attorney

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**OVERVIEW:** Section 7 of S.L. 2023-107 allows Central Park School for Children (CPSC) charter school to establish a pilot of up to four years to include additional lottery weighting factors related to admissions for economically disadvantaged students, including walk zones. This pilot does not change the school's charter. The CPSC charter is required to report to the Office of Charter Schools annually during the pilot on the weighted lottery procedures and number of students admitted under those procedures.

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**CURRENT LAW:** G.S. 115C-218.45 allows charter schools to have weighted lotteries as part of the charter to allow certain factors relevant to the school's mission to be used in admissions.

**BILL ANALYSIS:** This section allows CPSC charter school to establish a pilot of up to four years to include additional lottery weighting factors related to admissions for economically disadvantaged students, including walk zones. This pilot does not change the school's charter. The CPSC charter is required to report to the Office of Charter Schools annually during the pilot on the weighted lottery procedures and number of students admitted under those procedures.

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