



HOUSE BILL 259: 2023 Appropriations Act, Sec. 7.53: Special Needs Pilot Program

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Analysis of:	Sec. 7.53 of S.L. 2023-134		

OVERVIEW: Section 7.53 of S.L. 2023-134 directs the Department of Public Instruction (DPI) to contract with Amplio Learning Technologies, Inc., to create a new pilot program (Program) for a special education digital intervention software platform in Alamance County Schools, Catawba County Schools, and Nash County Schools to increase opportunities for students with special needs. The Program must focus primarily on students receiving interventions for speech language and reading development, including English language learners, to provide more optimized progress for the interventions and effective and efficient opportunities for Medicaid billing for speech language pathologists services and dyslexia related services.

DPI must report on the results of the Program to the Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee and the Fiscal Research Division by October 15, 2025, including information comparing Medicaid reimbursements rates both prior to and following participation and for both participating and non-participating schools.

This section became effective July 1, 2023.

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