

House Bill 972

By: Representatives Berry of the 56<sup>th</sup>, Olaleye of the 59<sup>th</sup>, Rice of the 139<sup>th</sup>, Herring of the 145<sup>th</sup>, Hagan of the 156<sup>th</sup>, and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend Part 3 of Article 6 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia  
2 Annotated, relating to educational programs under the "Quality Basic Education Act," so as  
3 to require public school governing bodies to provide written notice to parents and guardians  
4 of students in grades four through eight at least twice each school year stating whether such  
5 student has attained grade level reading proficiency; to provide for related matters; to repeal  
6 conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

8 **SECTION 1.**

9 Part 3 of Article 6 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,  
10 relating to educational programs under the "Quality Basic Education Act," is amended by  
11 adding a new Code section to read as follows:

12 "20-2-153.2.

13 Beginning in the 2026-2027 school year, each local board of education and other public  
14 school governing body shall develop and implement a policy to provide written notice to  
15 the parent or guardian of each student enrolled in grades four through eight stating whether

16 such student has attained grade level reading proficiency. Such written notice shall be  
17 provided no less than twice each school year."

18 **SECTION 2.**

19 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.