

HOUSE BILL NO. 1220

Introduced by

Representatives Grosz, Henegar

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 15-47-33 of the North Dakota Century Code, or
2 in the alternative to amend and reenact section 15.1-06-04 of the North Dakota Century Code,
3 relating to requirements for full days of instruction.

4 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

5 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** If House Bill No. 1034 does not become effective, section
6 15-47-33 of the 1997 Supplement to the North Dakota Century Code is amended and
7 reenacted as follows:

8 **15-47-33. Length of elementary and secondary school year term.**

- 9 1. All elementary and secondary schools in this state shall provide for a school term
10 of at least one hundred eighty days apportioned as follows:
- 11 a. One hundred seventy-three full days of instruction;
 - 12 b. Three holidays listed in subsections 2 through 10 of section 15-38-04.1
13 selected by the school board in consultation with district teachers;
 - 14 c. Two days for the attendance of teachers at the North Dakota education
15 association instructional conference; and
 - 16 d. Up to two full days during which parent-teacher conferences are held, or
17 which are deemed by the school board to be compensatory time for
18 parent-teacher conferences held outside normal school hours.
- 19 2. A full day of instruction:
- 20 a. Consists of at least five and one-half hours of instruction time for elementary
21 students; and
 - 22 b. Consists of at least six hours of instruction time for high school students.
- 23 3. If a school provides less than a full day of instruction, the school shall complete the
24 time required to constitute a full day of instruction. The completion time must

1 replicate, as closely as practicable, the instruction periods actually missed. The
2 completion time must be made up in increments approximately equal in length to a
3 normal class period, but in no event may the increments be of a duration shorter
4 than thirty minutes.

5 **SECTION 2. AMENDMENT.** Section 15.1-06-04 of the North Dakota Century Code as
6 created by House Bill No. 1034, as approved by the fifty-sixth legislative assembly, is amended
7 and reenacted as follows:

8 **15.1-06-04. School calendar - Length.**

- 9 1. During each school year, a school district shall provide for a school calendar of at
10 least one hundred eighty days, apportioned as follows:
- 11 a. One hundred seventy-three full days of instruction;
 - 12 b. Three holidays listed in subdivisions b through j of subsection 1 of section
13 15.1-06-02 and selected by the school board in consultation with district
14 teachers;
 - 15 c. Two days for the attendance of teachers at the North Dakota education
16 association instructional conference; and
 - 17 d. Up to two full days during which parent-teacher conferences are held or which
18 are deemed by the school board to be compensatory time for parent-teacher
19 conferences held outside regular school hours.
- 20 2. A full day of instruction consists of:
- 21 a. At least five and one-half hours of instruction time for elementary students;
 - 22 and
 - 23 b. At least six hours of instruction time for high school students.
- 24 3. If a school provides less than a full day of instruction, the school shall complete the
25 time required to constitute a full day of instruction. The completion time must
26 replicate, as closely as practicable, the instruction periods actually missed. The
27 completion time must be made up in increments approximately equal in length to a
28 normal class period, but in no event may the increments be of a duration shorter
29 than thirty minutes.