

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1444

Page 1, line 1, after "A BILL" replace the remainder of the bill with "for an Act to provide loans to individuals preparing to teach at grade levels or in content areas having declared teacher shortages.

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

**SECTION 1. Loans - Teacher shortages - Repayment.**

1. The state board of higher education shall administer a student loan program for individuals preparing to teach at grade levels or in content areas identified as having teacher shortages.
2. The board shall annually identify the elementary and high school grade levels or content areas in which teacher shortages exist.
3. Any individual may apply to the state board of higher education for a student loan, payable in the amount of one thousand dollars for each year the individual is enrolled as a full-time student in a teacher preparation program, with the declared intention to teach at a grade level or in a content area identified by the board as one in which teacher shortages exist. An individual may receive a maximum of five one thousand dollar loans under this section.
4. The board shall consider all applications under this section in chronological order.
5. The board shall annually forgive one thousand dollars of any amount loaned to an individual under this section upon notification that the individual has completed a full year of teaching in a school district or nonpublic school in this state at a grade level or in a content area identified by the board as one in which teacher shortages exist.
6. If an individual does not meet the requirements of subsection 5 with respect to forgiveness of a loan, the individual shall proceed with loan repayments at the time and in the manner set forth by the board."

Renumber accordingly