

Fifty-seventh
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of North Dakota

ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2052

Introduced by

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1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 15-40.1-09 and subsection 1 of section
2 15.1-06-04 of the North Dakota Century Code or in the alternative to amend and reenact
3 section 15.1-27-35 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to professional development
4 days.

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

6 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** If House Bill No. 1045 does not become effective, section
7 15-40.1-09 of the 1999 Supplement to the North Dakota Century Code is amended and
8 reenacted as follows:

9 **15-40.1-09. Application for payments - Verification and determination of**
10 **payments for high school students - Report of county superintendent of schools -**
11 **Appeal.** Immediately upon the completion of the registration of students at the beginning of
12 each school term and in no event later than September tenth of each year, the business
13 manager of each school district within or without this state which is claiming payments from
14 state funds under the provisions of this chapter shall file with the county superintendent of
15 schools a claim on a form prescribed by the superintendent of public instruction stating the
16 number of students registered in high school and elementary grades for which payments are
17 claimed, and such other information as may be reasonably requested by the superintendent of
18 public instruction. Not later than December first, the superintendent of public instruction shall
19 certify to the office of management and budget a list of the school districts and schools not
20 operated by school districts entitled to payments from state funds, together with the amounts to
21 which the several districts and schools are entitled. Per student aid as provided under sections
22 15-40.1-06, 15-40.1-07, and 15-40.1-08 must be computed on the basis of the previous year's
23 average daily membership less the number of students attending school during the current
24 school year in another district under the provisions of open enrollment or the current year's fall

1 enrollment, whichever provides the greatest payment, for all current grade levels. Adjustments
2 must be made in the subsequent year according to a comparison between the average daily
3 membership for the year for which the adjusted payment is being made and the year preceding
4 the year for which the adjusted payment is being made, whichever is greater, for grade levels
5 that existed in both years. The greater of the two preceding years' average daily membership
6 must be used in computing any adjustment in a district's foundation aid payments. For
7 purposes of this chapter, "average daily membership" means the total days all students in a
8 given school are in attendance, including ~~two~~ five days ~~set aside for the North Dakota~~
9 ~~education association instructional conference, three holidays listed in subsections 2 through~~
10 ~~4 of section 15-38-04.1~~ which have been selected by the school board in consultation with the
11 teachers for holidays, continuing education activities, and school activities, and up to two full
12 days during which parent-teacher conferences are held, divided by one hundred eighty days.
13 School districts educating children of agricultural migratory workers or offering high school
14 summer school programs during the months of June, July, and August shall not be restricted to
15 payments for a one hundred eighty-day school term.

16 Immediately upon the termination of the school year, and in no event later than July
17 fifteenth of each year, the business manager of each school district within or without this state
18 which has received payments from state funds under the provisions of this chapter shall file
19 with the county superintendent of schools a verified statement of the name, residence, and
20 membership of elementary and high school students as provided for in this section, and
21 number of units of high school work taken by each high school student enrolled during the
22 previous school year. The statement shall be attested to by the county superintendent of
23 schools. The county superintendent shall investigate the validity of the statement and shall
24 determine the residence and other qualifications of each student named in the statement. The
25 county superintendent shall certify to the superintendent of public instruction on or before
26 September first of each year the number of enrolled students in each district in the county for
27 the previous school year upon which any adjustment may be based as provided in this section.
28 If any statement is disallowed in whole or in part, notice of the disallowance and the names of
29 students who are disallowed shall be reported to the superintendent of public instruction and to
30 the district filing the statement. Any district may appeal to the superintendent of public
31 instruction from the determination of the county superintendent of schools on or before

1 September fifteenth in the year in which the determination is made. The superintendent of
2 public instruction may change or modify the determination of the county superintendent if the
3 evidence submitted by the district warrants a modification. The judgment of the superintendent
4 of public instruction shall be final.

5 **SECTION 2. AMENDMENT.** Subsection 1 of section 15.1-06-04 of the 1999
6 Supplement to the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

- 7 1. During each school year, a school district shall provide for a school calendar of at
8 least one hundred eighty days, apportioned as follows:
- 9 a. One hundred seventy-three full days of instruction;
 - 10 b. ~~Three holidays listed in subdivisions b through j of subsection 1 of section~~
11 ~~15.1-06-02 and~~ Five days selected by the school board in consultation with
12 district teachers;
 - 13 e. ~~Two days for the attendance of teachers at the North Dakota education~~
14 ~~association instructional conference~~ for holidays, continuing education
15 activities, and school activities; and
 - 16 e: c. Up to two full days during which parent-teacher conferences are held or which
17 are deemed by the school board to be compensatory time for parent-teacher
18 conferences held outside regular school hours.

19 **SECTION 3. AMENDMENT.** Section 15.1-27-35 of the North Dakota Century Code as
20 created by House Bill No. 1045, as approved by the fifty-seventh legislative assembly, is
21 amended and reenacted as follows:

22 **15.1-27-35. Average daily membership - Calculation.** Average daily membership is
23 calculated by adding the total number of days that each student in a given classroom, school,
24 or school district is in attendance during a school calendar and the total number of days that
25 each student in a given classroom, school, or school district is absent during a school calendar,
26 and then dividing the sum by one hundred eighty. For purposes of calculating average daily
27 membership, all students are deemed to be in attendance on:

- 28 1. The ~~three holidays listed in subdivisions b through j of subsection 1 of section~~
29 ~~15.1-06-02 and~~ five days selected by the school board in consultation with district
30 teachers for holidays, continuing education activities, and school activities; and

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- 1 2. ~~The two days set aside for the attendance of teachers at the North Dakota~~
- 2 ~~education association instructional conference; and~~
- 3 ~~3.~~ The two full days, or portions thereof, during which parent-teacher conferences are
- 4 held or which are deemed by the board of the district to be compensatory time for
- 5 parent-teacher conferences held outside regular school hours.