

**FIRST ENGROSSMENT
with House Amendments**

Sixty-first
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2212

Introduced by

Senators Bakke, Fischer, Taylor

Representatives Delmore, N. Johnson, Kingsbury

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 15.1-38-02 of the North Dakota Century Code,
2 relating to English language learners; and to provide for grant applications.

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

4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 15.1-38-02 of the North Dakota Century Code is
5 amended and reenacted as follows:

6 **15.1-38-02. Program establishment.** The superintendent of public instruction shall:

- 7 1. Appoint a state advisory committee to assist with the establishment and
- 8 administration of English language learner programs and the state English
- 9 language proficiency assessment;
- 10 2. Establish standards for English language learner programs;
- 11 3. Establish student caseload criteria for English language learner teachers, deviation
- 12 from which may not affect the accreditation or funding level of a school district;
- 13 ~~4.~~ 4. Ensure that the English language learner programs use effective research-based
- 14 methods to teach the students;
- 15 ~~4.~~ 5. Assist school districts with the development and administration of English
- 16 language learner programs and services;
- 17 ~~5.~~ 6. Employ a program administrator and other necessary personnel; and
- 18 ~~6.~~ 7. Coordinate federal, state, and local funding to maximize the services available to
- 19 students.

20 **SECTION 2. REGIONAL EDUCATION ASSOCIATION GRANTS.** Each regional
21 education association in this state may apply to the superintendent for grants to purchase or
22 otherwise acquire instructional materials for the enhancement of English language learner
23 services to students in the association's participating districts and to provide professional

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- 1 development opportunities for teachers of English language learners, for the biennium
- 2 beginning July 1, 2009, and ending June 30, 2011.