

HOUSE BILL NO. 1229

Introduced by

Representatives Grande, Rohr, Schatz, Hunskor

Senators Luick, O'Connell

1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 15.1-21 of the North Dakota
2 Century Code, relating to abstinence-based concepts within the school health curriculum.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 15.1-21 of the North Dakota Century Code is created
5 and enacted as follows:

6 **Abstinence-based concepts - Health curriculum.**

7 Beginning July 1, 2012, each school district shall ensure that its curriculum for health

8 includes the exposure of students to abstinence-based concepts, ~~including that:~~

9 ~~1. There are social, psychological, and health gains to be realized by abstaining from~~
10 ~~sexual activity;~~

11 ~~2. Abstinence is the expected standard for all students;~~

12 ~~3. Abstinence is the only certain way to avoid out-of-wedlock pregnancy, sexually~~
13 ~~transmitted disease, and other associated health problems;~~

14 ~~4. A mutually faithful monogamous relationship within the context of marriage is the~~
15 ~~expected standard of human sexual activity;~~

16 ~~5. Sexual activity outside the context of marriage is likely to have harmful psychological~~
17 ~~and physical effects;~~

18 ~~6. Bearing children out of wedlock is likely to have harmful consequences for the child,~~
19 ~~the child's parents, and society;~~

20 ~~7. There are ways to reject unwanted sexual advances;~~

21 ~~8. Alcohol and drug use increase one's vulnerability to sexual advances; and~~

22 ~~9. It is important to attain economic self-sufficiency before engaging in sexual activity.~~