

**Sixty-seventh Legislative Assembly of North Dakota
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 5, 2021**

SENATE BILL NO. 2304
(Senators Heckaman, Marcellais)

AN ACT to amend and reenact subsection 3 of section 15.1-21-01, subsection 1 of section 15.1-21-02, and subsection 4 of section 15.1-21-02.2 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to requiring all elementary and secondary public and nonpublic schools in the state to include curriculum on Native American history; and to provide an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. Subsection 3 of section 15.1-21-01 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

3. Social studies, including:
 - a. The United States Constitution;
 - b. United States history;
 - c. Geography;
 - d. Government; and
 - e. North Dakota studies, with an emphasis on the geography, history, the federally recognized Indian tribes in the state, and agriculture of this state, in the fourth and eighth grades.

SECTION 2. AMENDMENT. Subsection 1 of section 15.1-21-02 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

1. In order to be approved by the superintendent of public instruction, each public and nonpublic high school shall provide instruction in or make available to each student:
 - a. Four units of English language arts from a sequence that includes literature, composition, and speech;
 - b. Four units of mathematics, including:
 - (1) One unit of algebra II; and
 - (2) One unit for which algebra II is a prerequisite;
 - c. Four units of science, including:
 - (1) One unit of physical science; and
 - (2) One unit of biology;
 - d. Four units of social studies, including:
 - (1) One unit of world history;
 - (2) One unit of United States history, including Native American tribal history; and
 - (3) (a) One unit of problems of democracy; or

- (b) One-half unit of United States government and one-half unit of economics;
- e. One-half unit of health;
- f. One-half unit of physical education during each school year, provided that once every four years the unit must be a concept-based fitness class that includes instruction in the assessment, improvement, and maintenance of personal fitness;
- g. Two units of fine arts, at least one of which must be music;
- h. Two units of the same foreign or native American language;
- i. One unit of an advanced placement course or one unit of a dual-credit course; and
- j. Two units of career and technical education from a coordinated plan of study recommended by the department of career and technical education and approved by the superintendent of public instruction.

SECTION 3. AMENDMENT. Subsection 4 of section 15.1-21-02.2 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

- 4. Three units of social studies, including:
 - a. One unit of United States history, including Native American tribal history;
 - b. (1) One-half unit of United States government and one-half unit of economics; or
(2) One unit of problems of democracy; and
 - c. One unit or two one-half units of any other social studies, which may include civics, civilization, geography and history, multicultural studies, North Dakota studies, psychology, sociology, and world history;

SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE. Section 3 of this Act becomes effective on August 1, 2025.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

Secretary of the Senate

Chief Clerk of the House

This certifies that the within bill originated in the Senate of the Sixty-seventh Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as Senate Bill No. 2304.

Senate Vote: Yeas 44 Nays 0 Absent 3

House Vote: Yeas 76 Nays 16 Absent 2

Secretary of the Senate

Received by the Governor at _____ M. on _____, 2021.

Approved at _____ M. on _____, 2021.

Governor

Filed in this office this _____ day of _____, 2021,

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Secretary of State