

Fifty-fifth
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

REENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2029

Introduced by

Legislative Council

(Budget Committee on Human Services)

(Senators Nalewaja, Thane, Lips)
(Representatives Carlisle, Thoreson, Clark)

- 1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 15-40.1 of the North Dakota
2 Century Code, relating to payments for students having limited English language skills.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 15-40.1 of the North Dakota Century Code is
5 created and enacted as follows:

6 **Per student payments - Limited English proficient students.**

- 7 1. In addition to any other payments provided for by this chapter, each school district
8 is entitled to receive three hundred dollars for each student who has been
9 assessed by the student's school district and determined to have negligible or very
10 limited English language skills as evidenced by a classification of level I or II using
11 the Woodcock-Munoz language survey.
- 12 2. In order to receive the full payment provided for in this section, a school district
13 must complete the student assessment required by subsection 1 and forward the
14 results to the superintendent of public instruction on or before October first of each
15 school year. The superintendent shall distribute the payments no later than May
16 thirtieth of each school year. The superintendent shall prorate payments under
17 this section for any students registering in the school district after October first or
18 departing the school district prior to the completion of the school year.

19 **SECTION 2. PAYMENTS FOR STUDENTS HAVING LIMITED ENGLISH LANGUAGE**
20 **SKILLS.** For the purpose of providing payments to school districts educating students
21 qualifying under section 1 of this Act for the biennium beginning July 1, 1997, and ending
22 June 30, 1999, the superintendent of public instruction shall use up to \$300,000 of any moneys
23 appropriated in House Bill No.1013, as approved by the fifty-fifth legislative assembly, for equity
24 payments to school districts.