Fifty-fifth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

HOUSE BILL NO. 1454

Introduced by

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Representatives Glassheim, Kliniske, Clark

Senators DeMers, C. Nelson

- 1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 15-10-19.1 of the North Dakota Century Code,
- 2 relating to the definition of a resident for purposes of tuition at institutions of higher education.

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

- SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. Section 15-10-19.1 of the 1995 Supplement to the North
 Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:
- 6 15-10-19.1. Nonresident and resident student for tuition purposes defined.
- 7 1. A "nonresident student" for tuition purposes means any student other than a resident student.
 - 2. A "resident student" for tuition purposes means:
 - a. A person less than eighteen years of age whose guardian, custodial parent, or parents are legal residents of this state and have resided in this state for twelve months, or a dependent child whose custodial parent moved into the state with the intent to establish legal residency for a period of years within the last twelve months immediately prior to the beginning of the academic term;
 - A person of age eighteen or over who is a legal resident of this state and has resided in this state after reaching age eighteen for twelve months immediately prior to the beginning of the academic term;
 - A person who graduated from a North Dakota high school within six years of the beginning of the academic term;
 - d. A person whose parent graduated from an institution of higher education under the control of the state board of higher education;
 - <u>e.</u> A full-time active duty member of the armed forces assigned to a military installation in this state;

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- e. <u>f.</u> A spouse or dependent of a full-time active duty member of the armed forces assigned to a military installation in this state, a dependent of an instructor who lives and teaches in any institution of higher education in this state, and a spouse of any other resident for tuition purposes; and
- f. g. Any other person who was a legal resident of this state for at least three consecutive years within six years of the beginning of the academic term.
- 3. A temporary absence from the state for vacation or other special or temporary purposes may not be considered an abandonment of residency in this state, provided a residence is maintained in this state during the temporary absence. However, a student who leaves the state and resides in another state for a period of months is not considered a resident of this state during those months if the student does not maintain a place of residence in this state during the student's absence.