

SENATE BILL NO. 2276

Introduced by

Senators Mutzenberger, Kringstad, St. Aubyn

Representatives Rose, Sveen, Wardner

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 1 of section 16.1-05-02 of the North Dakota
2 Century Code, relating to the qualifications of members of the board of election.

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

4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Subsection 1 of section 16.1-05-02 of the 1995
5 Supplement to the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

6 1. ~~Every~~

7 a. Except as provided in subdivision b, every member of the election board and
8 each poll clerk must be a qualified elector of the precinct in which the person
9 is assigned to work and must be eligible to vote at the polling place to which
10 the person is assigned.

11 b. A student enrolled in a high school or college in this state who has attained
12 the age of sixteen is eligible to be appointed as a poll clerk if the student
13 possesses the following qualifications:

14 (1) Is a United States citizen or will be a citizen at the time of the election at
15 which the student will be serving as a member of an election board;

16 (2) Is a resident of this state and has resided in the precinct at least thirty
17 days before the election; and

18 (3) Is a student in good standing attending a public or private secondary or
19 higher education institution.

20 c. A student appointed as a poll clerk must be excused from school attendance
21 during the hours that the student is serving as a poll clerk, including training
22 sessions, if the student submits a written request signed and approved by the
23 student's parent or guardian to be absent from school and a certification from
24 the district party chairman or county auditor stating the hours during which the

1 student will serve. A student excused from school attendance under this
2 subdivision may not be recorded as being absent on any date for which the
3 excuse is operative nor may the student be penalized by the school in any
4 manner. No more than two students may serve as poll clerks on an election
5 board.