

Fifty-fifth Legislative Assembly, State of North Dakota, begun in the Capitol in the City of Bismarck, on Monday, the sixth day of January, one thousand nine hundred and ninety-seven

HOUSE BILL NO. 1337
(Representatives Clark, Huether, Torgerson)
(Senators Andrist, Grindberg, Wanzek)

AN ACT relating to the provision of guidance and counseling services at the elementary and secondary school level.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. School guidance and counseling services - Providers. Notwithstanding any other law, guidance and counseling services at the elementary and secondary school level may be provided by a person holding a graduate degree in counseling from a state-approved school counseling program, with coursework and an internship in school counseling, as required for all counselors by the superintendent of public instruction, provided the person has a valid North Dakota teaching certificate or will obtain one within seven years from the date of first employment under the provisions of this section. The education standards and practices board shall adopt rules relating to the background check of a person hired under this section. All costs associated with a background check are the responsibility of the person being hired. The education standards and practices board shall monitor a person hired under this section to ensure that the person annually completes at least one-seventh of the total credits required for that person to obtain a teaching certificate as determined on the date of first employment under this section.

Speaker of the House

President of the Senate

Chief Clerk of the House

Secretary of the Senate

This certifies that the within bill originated in the House of Representatives of the Fifty-fifth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as House Bill No. 1337.

House Vote: Yeas 76 Nays 12 Absent 9

Senate Vote: Yeas 34 Nays 11 Absent 4

Chief Clerk of the House

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Approved at _____ M. on _____, 1997.

Governor

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at _____ o'clock _____ M.

Secretary of State