

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. 1456
(Representatives Koppelman, Torgerson, Grumbo)
(Senators Christmann, Lee, Nalewaja)

AN ACT to create and enact a new section to chapter 15-34.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the issuance of high school diplomas to home education students; and to repeal section 15-34.1-11 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the issuance of high school diplomas by the superintendent of public instruction.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. A new section to chapter 15-34.1 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:

High school diplomas - Issuance to home education students.

1. A high school diploma may be issued to a student by the student's school district of residence, a state-approved nonpublic high school, or the North Dakota division of independent study if the student, through home education, has met the issuing entity's requirements for high school graduation and the student's parent or legal guardian provides the issuing entity with a description of the course material covered in each high school subject, a description of the course objectives and how the objectives were met, and a transcript of the student's performance in grades nine through twelve.
2. In the alternative, a high school diploma may be issued to a student by the student's school district of residence, a state-approved nonpublic high school, or the North Dakota division of independent study if the student, through home education, has completed at least seventeen units of high school coursework from the minimum required curriculum offerings established for public and private schools in section 15-41-24 and the student's parent or legal guardian provides the issuing entity with a description of the course material covered in each high school subject, a description of the course objectives and how the objectives were met, and a transcript of the student's performance in grades nine through twelve. The issuing entity may indicate on a diploma issued under this subsection that the student has received home education.
3. If for any reason the documentation required in subsection 1 or 2 is unavailable, the entity issuing the diploma may accept any other reasonable proof that the student has met the applicable requirements for high school graduation.

SECTION 2. REPEAL. Section 15-34.1-11 of the North Dakota Century Code is repealed.

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. 1456.

House Vote: Yeas 87 Nays 7 Absent 3

Senate Vote: Yeas 42 Nays 3 Absent 4

Chief Clerk of the House

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Governor

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Secretary of State