

Fifty-fifth  
Legislative Assembly  
of North Dakota

**HOUSE BILL NO. 1315**

Introduced by

Representatives Wilkie, Nichols, Warner, D. Johnson

Senators DeMers, LaFountain

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 15-63-02, 15-63-03, and 15-63-04 of the North  
2 Dakota Century Code, relating to eligibility of candidates for scholarships awarded by the state  
3 board for Indian scholarships.

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

5 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 15-63-02 of the North Dakota Century Code is  
6 amended and reenacted as follows:

7 **15-63-02. Duties of board.** The state board for Indian scholarships shall:

- 8 1. Award scholarship grants as provided in this chapter.  
9 2. Make necessary rules ~~and regulations~~ and establish standards, requirements, and  
10 procedures for the administration of this chapter.  
11 3. Encourage ~~persons of Indian blood~~ members of Indian tribes to attend and be  
12 graduated from any institution of higher learning or state vocational education  
13 program within ~~North Dakota~~ this state, and to make application for scholarships.

14 **SECTION 2. AMENDMENT.** Section 15-63-03 of the North Dakota Century Code is  
15 amended and reenacted as follows:

16 **15-63-03. Number and nature of scholarships.** The state board for Indian  
17 scholarships shall provide scholarships each year for resident ~~persons of at least one-fourth~~  
18 ~~degree of Indian blood or for enrolled~~ members of federally recognized Indian tribes ~~now~~  
19 ~~resident in North Dakota~~ to entitle persons so selected to enter and attend any institution of  
20 higher learning or state vocational education program within ~~North Dakota~~ this state upon  
21 compliance with all requirements for admission and to pursue any course or courses offered in  
22 such institutions or programs.

23 **SECTION 3. AMENDMENT.** Section 15-63-04 of the North Dakota Century Code is  
24 amended and reenacted as follows:

1           **15-63-04. Eligibility of candidates - Determination.** The initial and continuing  
2 scholarship eligibility of ~~resident persons of one-fourth degree of Indian blood or~~ state residents  
3 who are enrolled members of federally recognized Indian tribes ~~now resident in North Dakota~~  
4 must be determined by the state board for Indian scholarships after the candidate has gained  
5 admission to any institution of higher this state learning or state vocational education program  
6 within ~~North Dakota~~ this state and has had this fact certified to the board. Factors to be  
7 considered in the award of these scholarships are the candidate's ~~health, character,~~ financial  
8 need; and probable and continuing success as a student.