

HOUSE BILL NO. 1331

Introduced by

Representatives Timm, Haas, R. Kelsch

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 15.1-30-01 of the North Dakota Century Code,
2 relating to the transportation of students.

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

4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 15.1-30-01 of the North Dakota Century Code is
5 amended and reenacted as follows:

6 **15.1-30-01. Transportation or meals and lodging - Options of school board.**

- 7 1. The board of a school district may:
- 8 a. Provide for the transportation of a student to and from school; or
- 9 b. If acceptable to the student's parent, reimburse the parent for expenses
- 10 incurred in providing meals and lodging to the student outside the student's
- 11 home, provided that the reimbursement may not exceed the amount permitted
- 12 under subsection 4 of section 15.1-27-27.
- 13 2. A parent receiving payments under section 15.1-30-02 is not eligible to receive
- 14 payments under this section.
- 15 3. If the board elects to provide for the transportation of students by public transit, the
- 16 board shall establish eligibility criteria based on a minimum distance between a
- 17 student's residence and the school. Except as otherwise provided by law, the
- 18 board shall apply the criteria equally to all students in the district.
- 19 4. If the board closes one of several schools in the district, nothing in this section
- 20 precludes the board from agreeing to provide transportation to those students who
- 21 were placed in another school in the district because of the closure.
- 22 5. Benefits under this section are available even if a student is transported to another
- 23 school district in or outside this state, provided the student's attendance meets all
- 24 other conditions established by law.