PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1015

- Page 1, line 2, replace the second "and" with "to provide home schooling for children with autism;"
- Page 1, line 4, after "instruction" insert "; and to provide an expiration date"

Page 5, after line 7, insert:

"SECTION 10. <u>Children with autism - Home school.</u> <u>Notwithstanding any</u> <u>other law, a parent or legal guardian may provide home schooling to a child with autism</u> <u>provided:</u>

- 1. The child has been determined to be autistic by a licensed psychologist;
- 2. <u>The child's parent or legal guardian qualifies to provide home schooling</u> <u>under the provisions of section 15-34.1-06;</u>
- <u>3.</u> <u>The child's parent or legal guardian files with the superintendent of the child's school district of residence:</u>
  - a. A notice that the child will be home schooled;
  - b. A copy of the child's diagnosis of autism prepared and attested to by a licensed psychologist; and
  - <u>c.</u> <u>A description of the instructional plan to be followed during the school year, together with an attestation by a licensed psychologist and a North Dakota certified teacher that the instructional plan is appropriate for the child.</u>

## SECTION 11. Children with autism - Home school - Progress reports.

- 1. On or before November one, February one, and May one of each school year, a parent providing home schooling to an autistic child under the provisions of section 10 shall file with the superintendent of the child's school district of residence progress reports prepared by a licensed psychologist, an occupational therapist, a speech pathologist, and a certified teacher. If at any time the licensed psychologist, the occupational therapist, the speech pathologist, and the certified teacher agree that adequate progress is not being made, they shall notify the superintendent of the child's school district of residence and request that the child be evaluated by a multidisciplinary team.
- 2. The superintendent of the child's school district of residence shall forward copies of all documentation required by this section to the superintendent of public instruction. The superintendent of public instruction shall provide a report and recommendations regarding the home schooling of children with autism under the provisions of this section and section 10 of this Act to the legislative council.

**SECTION 12. EXPIRATION.** Sections 10 and 11 of this Act are effective through June 30, 2005, and after that date are ineffective."

Renumber accordingly