

**HOUSE BILL NO. 1311
with Senate Amendments**

Fifty-ninth
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

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Introduced by

Representatives Nelson, Charging, Mueller

Senators Erbele, Taylor

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 37 of chapter 667 of the 2003 Session Laws,
2 relating to contingent payments; and to declare an emergency.

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

4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 37 of chapter 667 of the 2003 Session Laws is
5 amended and reenacted as follows:

6 **SECTION 37. CONTINGENT PAYMENTS - DISTRIBUTION.** If any moneys
7 appropriated for per student payments and transportation payments in the grants - state school
8 aid line item in Senate Bill No. 2013 remain after payment of all statutory obligations for per
9 student and transportation payments during the biennium beginning July 1, 2003, and ending
10 June 30, 2005, the superintendent of public instruction shall distribute the remaining moneys as
11 follows:

12 1. The superintendent of public instruction shall use the first \$119,190, or so much of
13 that amount as is necessary, for the purpose of reimbursing eligible school districts
14 that received reduced amounts of state aid. For the purposes of this subsection,
15 an eligible school district is one that received a reduction in state aid during the
16 second year of the 2003-05 biennium because the district's general fund levy fell
17 below one hundred forty mills as the result of a reorganization or the dissolution of
18 a contiguous district. The following affected districts listed are entitled to receive
19 reimbursements:

20	<u>Velva 1</u>	<u>\$24,355</u>
21	<u>TGU 60</u>	<u>93,514</u>
22	<u>Lewis and Clark</u>	<u>1,321</u>

23 2. The superintendent of public instruction shall use the ~~first~~ next \$250,000, or so
24 much of that amount as is necessary, for the purpose of providing reimbursements

1 to the chief administrators of joint powers agreements pursuant to section 19 of
2 this Act.

3 ~~2.~~ 3. The superintendent of public instruction shall use the next \$1,000,000, or so much
4 of that amount as is necessary, for the purpose of providing reorganization
5 bonuses, pursuant to section 15.1-12-11.1, to school districts having
6 reorganizations effective after July 1, 2003, and before July 1, 2005. If insufficient
7 moneys exist to fully meet the requirements of this subsection, the superintendent
8 of public instruction shall prorate the payments according to that percentage of the
9 amount available to which a school district is entitled.

10 ~~3.~~ 4. The superintendent of public instruction shall use the remainder of the moneys to
11 provide additional per student payments on a prorated basis, according to the
12 average daily membership of each school district during the 2004-05 school year.

13 **SECTION 2. EMERGENCY.** This Act is declared to be an emergency measure.