

Sixtieth
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

SENATE BILL NO. 2304

Introduced by

Senators Robinson, Bakke

Representatives Drovdal, Kroeber, L. Meier

1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 15.1-07 of the North Dakota
2 Century Code, relating to coordinators of English language learner services; and to provide
3 appropriations.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 15.1-07 of the North Dakota Century Code is
6 created and enacted as follows:

7 **English language learner services - Coordinator.** Each educational association
8 governed by a joint powers agreement, which the superintendent of public instruction has
9 verified as meeting the requirements of section 15.1-07-28, shall contract with an individual to
10 serve as a coordinator of English language learner services for member school districts. The
11 individual shall:

- 12 1. Provide consultation;
- 13 2. Provide assessment services;
- 14 3. Collect and report data;
- 15 4. Provide or coordinate professional development opportunities;
- 16 5. Provide or coordinate parental training opportunities; and
- 17 6. Provide or coordinate the provision of direct student services, if requested.

18 **SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION.** There is appropriated out of any moneys in the
19 general fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$900,000, or so much
20 of the sum as may be necessary, to the superintendent of public instruction for the purpose of
21 providing each educational association with \$100,000 to meet the costs of contracting with a
22 coordinator of English language learner services, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2007, and
23 ending June 30, 2009.

1 **SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION.** There is appropriated out of any moneys in the
2 general fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$50,000, or so much
3 of the sum as may be necessary, to the superintendent of public instruction for the purpose of
4 providing professional development grants to eligible institutions of higher education, for the
5 biennium beginning July 1, 2007, and ending June 30, 2009. An "eligible institution" is an
6 institution of higher education that is under the control of the state board of higher education
7 and which offers an approved English language learner teacher education program. The grants
8 must be used to reimburse the institutions for any costs incurred in the provision of professional
9 development opportunities for teachers of English language learners.