Sixtieth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

HOUSE BILL NO. 1372

Introduced by

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Representatives Wolf, Haas

Senators Bakke, G. Lee, Potter

1 A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for a teacher mentoring program.

2 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

3 **SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION.**

- There is appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$250,000, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, to the education standards and practices board for the purpose of supporting a teacher mentoring program, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2007, and ending June 30, 2009.
- 2. The education standards and practices board shall contract with an individual to serve as a mentoring consultant to school districts, to assist with the development and implementation of a teacher mentoring program, and to train one or more mentoring coordinators in each participating school district. A school district mentoring coordinator must have been licensed as a teacher for at least five years and have been employed as a teacher by the district during the preceding three years. Individuals being mentored must be licensed teachers and be in their first, second, or third year of teaching.
- 3. The education standards and practices board shall annually provide a matching grant, in an amount up to \$5,000, to the first ten school districts that commit to participate in a teacher mentoring program and appoint a mentoring coordinator. No school district may receive more than \$5,000 under this section.