Sixtieth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

FIRST ENGROSSMENT with Conference Committee Amendments ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1372

Introduced by

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 - TEACHER MENTORING GRANTS.

- There is appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state treasury,
 not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$25,000, or so much of the sum as may be
 necessary, to the education standards and practices board for the purpose of
 providing matching grants for teacher mentoring programs, for the biennium
 beginning July 1, 2007, and ending June 30, 2009.
- 9 2. During the 2007-09 biennium, the education standards and practices board shall 10 award up to five matching grants to eligible school districts for the establishment of 11 teacher mentoring programs. The education standards and practices board shall 12 reserve two of the grants for eligible school districts that have fewer than one 13 thousand students.
- Each teacher mentoring program must include training for one district coordinator
 and for as many as twenty individual mentors. Each district coordinator and
 mentor must have been employed as a teacher by the school district for each of
 the preceding three school years. Individuals being mentored must be first-year,
 second-year, or third-year teachers.
- The matching grants provided for in this section may not exceed five thousand
 dollars per school district.
- 5. For purposes of this section an eligible school district is a school district that does not have a teacher mentoring program and which is determined by the education standards and practices board to have a high teacher turnover rate.