

Sixty-first
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

HOUSE BILL NO.

Introduced by

Representative R. Kelsch

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 15.1-27-41 of the North Dakota Century Code,
2 relating to the North Dakota commission on education improvement.

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

4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 15.1-27-41 of the North Dakota Century Code is
5 amended and reenacted as follows:

6 **15.1-27-41. North Dakota commission on education improvement - Membership -**
7 **Duties - Report to legislative council - Reimbursement for expenses.**

- 8 1. The North Dakota commission on education improvement consists of:
- 9 a. (1) The governor or an individual designated by the governor, who shall
10 serve as the chairman;
- 11 (2) One individual, appointed by the governor, who is employed as the
12 superintendent of a high school district having more than one thousand
13 students in average daily membership;
- 14 (3) One individual, appointed by the governor, who is employed as the
15 superintendent of a high school district having more than two hundred
16 twenty but fewer than one thousand students in average daily
17 membership;
- 18 (4) One individual, appointed by the governor, who is employed as the
19 superintendent of a high school district having fewer than two hundred
20 twenty students in average daily membership;
- 21 (5) One individual, appointed by the governor, who is employed as a
22 school district business manager;
- 23 (6) The chairman of the senate education committee or the chairman's
24 designee;

- 1 (7) The chairman of the house education committee or the chairman's
2 designee;
- 3 (8) The senate minority leader or the leader's designee;
- 4 (9) One legislator appointed by the chairman of the legislative council; and
- 5 (10) The superintendent of public instruction or an assistant superintendent
6 designated by the superintendent of public instruction; and
- 7 b. One nonvoting member representing the North Dakota council of educational
8 leaders, one nonvoting member representing the North Dakota education
9 association, and one nonvoting member representing the North Dakota school
10 boards association.
- 11 2. The commission shall establish its own duties and rules of operation and
12 procedure, including rules relating to appointments, terms of office, vacancies,
13 quorums, and meetings, provided that the duties and the rules do not conflict with
14 any provisions of this section.
- 15 3. The members of the commission are entitled to reimbursement for actual and
16 necessary expenses incurred in the same manner as state officials. The
17 superintendent of public instruction shall use up to forty thousand dollars from
18 moneys appropriated in the grants - state school aid line item in ~~section 3 of~~
19 ~~Senate Bill No. 2013~~ _____, as approved by the ~~sixtieth~~ sixty-first legislative
20 assembly, to provide the reimbursements.
- 21 4. The commission shall examine the current system of delivering and financing
22 public elementary and secondary education and shall develop recommendations
23 addressing educational adequacy, the equitable distribution of state education
24 funds, the allocation of funding responsibility between federal, state, and local
25 sources, and any other matters that could result in the improvement of elementary
26 and secondary education in the state.
- 27 5. The commission shall provide periodic reports to the governor and to the legislative
28 council.

NOTE: This bill draft contains blanks that must be completed before introduction.