

Sixty-first  
Legislative Assembly  
of North Dakota

**SENATE BILL NO.**

Introduced by

Senator J. Lee

A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 15.1-14-11, 15.1-14-12, 15.1-14-21, 15.1-14-22, 15.1-14-31, and 15.1-14-32 of the North Dakota Century Code relating to the dismissal of school district superintendents, directors of special education districts, and directors of area career and technology centers; and to repeal sections 15.1-14-09, 15.1-14-10, 15.1-14-19, 15.1-14-20, 15.1-14-29, and 15.1-14-30 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the dismissal of school district superintendents, directors of special education districts, and directors of area career and technology centers.

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

**SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 15.1-14-11 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

**15.1-14-11. School district superintendent - Contract ~~—Failure to provide notice of nonrenewal~~ renewal.** The contract of a school district superintendent is deemed to be renewed for a period of one year from its termination date if:

1. On or before ~~April fifteenth~~ May first, the board of a school district has not provided written notification to the superintendent regarding a contemplated nonrenewal of the superintendent's contract, as required by section 15.1-14-12; and
2. On or before June first, the superintendent has not provided to the board a written resignation.

**SECTION 2. AMENDMENT.** Section 15.1-14-12 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

**15.1-14-12. School district superintendent - ~~Employed for less than two years—~~ Notification of nonrenewal.** If the board of a school district elects not to renew the contract of a superintendent ~~who has been employed by the board in that position for less than two years~~, the board shall provide written notice of the nonrenewal to the superintendent before May first.

At the request of the superintendent, the board shall meet with the superintendent to convey the reasons for the nonrenewal.

**SECTION 3. AMENDMENT.** Section 15.1-14-21 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

**15.1-14-21. Multidistrict special education unit - Director - Contract ~~Failure to provide notice of nonrenewal~~ renewal.** The contract of a multidistrict special education unit director is deemed to be renewed for a period of one year from its termination date if:

1. On or before ~~April fifteenth~~ May first, the board of the multidistrict special education unit has not provided written notification to the director regarding a contemplated nonrenewal of the director's contract, as required by section 15.1-14-22; and
2. On or before June first, the director has not provided to the board a written resignation.

**SECTION 4. AMENDMENT.** Section 15.1-14-22 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

**15.1-14-22. Multidistrict special education unit - Director ~~Employed for less than two years~~ - Notification of nonrenewal.** If the board of a multidistrict special education unit elects not to renew the contract of a director ~~who has been employed by the board in that position for less than two years~~, the board shall provide written notice of the nonrenewal to the director before May first. At the request of the director, the board shall meet with the director to convey the reasons for the nonrenewal.

**SECTION 5. AMENDMENT.** Section 15.1-14-31 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

**15.1-14-31. Area career and technology center - Director - Contract ~~Failure to provide notice of nonrenewal~~ renewal.** The contract of an area career and technology center director is deemed to be renewed for a period of one year from its termination date if:

1. On or before ~~April fifteenth~~ May first, the board of the center has not provided written notification to the director regarding a contemplated nonrenewal of the director's contract; and
2. On or before June first, the director has not provided to the board a written resignation.

1           **SECTION 6. AMENDMENT.** Section 15.1-14-32 of the North Dakota Century Code is  
2 amended and reenacted as follows:

3           **15.1-14-32. Area career and technology center - Director** ~~—Employed for less than~~  
4 ~~two years~~ **- Notification of nonrenewal.** If the board of an area career and technology center  
5 elects not to renew the contract of a director ~~who has been employed by the board in that~~  
6 ~~position for less than two years~~, the board shall provide written notice of the nonrenewal to the  
7 director before May first. At the request of the director, the board shall meet with the director to  
8 convey the reasons for the nonrenewal.

9           **SECTION 7. REPEAL.** Sections 15.1-14-09, 15.1-14-10, 15.1-14-19, 15.1-14-20,  
10 15.1-14-29, and 15.1-14-30 of the North Dakota Century Code are repealed.