

Sixty-first
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

HOUSE BILL NO.

Introduced by

Representative Wolf

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 15.1-21-02 of the North Dakota Century Code,
2 relating to consumer finance.

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

4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 15.1-21-02 of the North Dakota Century Code is
5 amended and reenacted as follows:

6 **15.1-21-02. High schools - Required units.**

- 7 1. In order to be approved by the superintendent of public instruction, each public and
8 nonpublic high school shall make available to each student:
- 9 a. Four units of English language arts;
 - 10 b. Four units of mathematics;
 - 11 c. Four units of science;
 - 12 d. Four units of social studies, including one of world history and one of United
13 States history;
 - 14 e. One-half unit of health;
 - 15 f. One-half unit of physical education during each school year, provided that
16 once every four years the unit must be a concept-based fitness class that
17 includes instruction in the assessment, improvement, and maintenance of
18 personal fitness;
 - 19 g. Two units of fine arts, at least one of which must be music;
 - 20 h. Two units of the same foreign language; ~~and~~
 - 21 i. One-half unit of consumer finance; and
 - 22 j. Two units of career and technical education.
- 23 2. In addition to the requirements of subsection 1, each public and nonpublic high
24 school shall make available to each student, at least once every two years,

- 1 one-half unit of North Dakota studies, with an emphasis on the geography, history,
2 and agriculture of this state.
- 3 3. Each unit which must be made available under this section must meet or exceed
4 the state content standards.
- 5 4. For purposes of this section, unless the context otherwise requires, "make
6 available" means that:
 - 7 a. Each public high school and nonpublic high school shall allow students to
8 select units over the course of a high school career from a list that includes at
9 least those required by this section;
 - 10 b. If a student selects a unit from the list required by this section, the public high
11 school or the nonpublic high school shall provide the unit to the student; and
 - 12 c. The unit may be provided to the student through any delivery method not
13 contrary to state law and may include classroom or individual instruction and
14 distance learning options, including interactive video, computer instruction,
15 correspondence courses, and postsecondary enrollment under chapter
16 15.1-25.
- 17 5. The board of a school district may not impose any fees or charges upon a student
18 for the provision of or participation in units as provided in this section, other than
19 the fees permitted by section 15.1-09-36.
- 20 6. If in order to meet the minimum requirements of this section a school district
21 includes academic courses offered by a postsecondary institution under chapter
22 15.1-25, the school district shall:
 - 23 a. Pay all costs of the student's attendance, except those fees that are
24 permissible under section 15.1-09-36; and
 - 25 b. Transport the student to and from the location at which the course is offered
26 or provide mileage reimbursement to the student if transportation is provided
27 by the student or the student's family.
- 28 7. The requirements of this section do not apply to alternative high schools or
29 alternative high school education programs.
- 30 8. The requirements of subdivisions g and h of subsection 1 do not apply to the North
31 Dakota youth correctional center.