

Sixty-second  
Legislative Assembly  
of North Dakota

**HOUSE BILL NO. 1143**

Introduced by

Representatives Kingsbury, Monson, Owens, Sanford, Kilichowski

Senators Miller, Heckaman

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 15.1-21-02.1 of the North Dakota Century  
2 Code, relating to world history as a required high school course.

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

4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 15.1-21-02.1 of the North Dakota Century Code is  
5 amended and reenacted as follows:

6 **15.1-21-02.1. High school graduation - Diploma requirements.**

7 Except as provided in section 15.1-21-02.3, before a school district, a nonpublic high  
8 school, or the center for distance education issues a high school diploma to a student, the  
9 student must have successfully completed the following twenty-two units of high school  
10 coursework:

- 11 1. Four units of English language arts from a sequence that includes literature,  
12 composition, and speech;
- 13 2. Three units of mathematics;
- 14 3. Three units of science, including:
  - 15 a. One unit of physical science;
  - 16 b. One unit of biology; and
  - 17 c. (1) One unit of any other science; or  
18 (2) Two one-half units of any other science;
- 19 4. ~~Three~~Four units of social studies, including:
  - 20 a. One unit of United States history;
  - 21 b. One unit of world history;
  - 22 c. (1) One-half unit of United States government and one-half unit of economics;  
23 or  
24 (2) One unit of problems of democracy; and

- 1           e.d. One unit or two one-half units of any other social studies, which may include
- 2           civics, civilization, geography and history, multicultural studies, North Dakota
- 3           studies, psychology, and sociology, ~~and world history~~;
- 4        5.   a.   One unit of physical education; or
- 5           b.   One-half unit of physical education and one-half unit of health;
- 6        6.   Three units of:
- 7           a.   Foreign languages;
- 8           b.   Native American languages;
- 9           c.   Fine arts; or
- 10          d.   Career and technical education courses; and
- 11        7.   Any ~~five~~four additional units.