

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; and to provide an effective
3 date.

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

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

7 **15.1-21-02.1. High school graduation - Diploma requirements.**

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

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

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

SECTION 2. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act becomes effective on July 1, 2013.